Evaluation Criteria IDALS Specialty Crop Block Grant Program

Proposal title or number	
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- Project title
 - O Does the title adequately describe the project(s)?
- Project Abstract
 - O Does the abstract succinctly summarize the project and contain a statement of objectives and methods to be employed?
- Project organization
 - o Is the name of the organization that will lead and execute the project clearly identified?
- Project Purpose
 - o Is the purpose clearly defined and have a sound and reasonable explanation of why it is important and timely?
 - o Are the objectives clear and appropriate to the project purpose?
- Potential impact
 - O Who is impacted by the project, how are they impacted, and how many are impacted?
 - O What is the amount of potential impact (economic or otherwise) on a local, regional, and/or statewide basis?
- Expected measurable outcome(s)
 - o Are the outcome(s) clearly defined and appropriate for the project?
 - o Are the outcome(s) distinct and quantified?
 - O Do the events, occurrences, or conditions have appropriate measures for gauging the project performance?
- Work Plan
 - O Are the activities appropriate to the project and specific enough to show how the objectives of the project will be met?
 - o Are the individuals performing activities identified?
 - o Is the timeline clear and appropriate for the scope of the project?
 - o If applicable, are performance monitoring, data collection, and delivery included?
- Budget narrative
 - o Is the budget reasonable for scope of project?
 - o Do the expenditures correlate with the activities in the work plan?
 - O Are the expenditures explained in sufficient detail to demonstrate that grant funds are being expended on eligible activities that meet the purpose of the program?

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- Project oversight
 - O Does the proposal describe sufficient capacity, experience, and knowledge to ensure proper and efficient administration of the project?
- Project commitment
 - O Does the proposal adequately describe how all grant partners commit to and work toward the goals and measureable outcomes of the proposal(s)?
- Feasibility
 - o What is the likelihood of the project to be accomplished given budget, staff, experience, expertise, resources, and commitment?
- Other considerations
 - o Is the proposal clear, concise, and complete?
 - O Does the proposal follow the required formatting?
 - o To what degree is the proposal innovative, unique, and/or original?
 - o To what degree are cash or in-kind contributions used to match grant funds?

Three specific comments to be provided to applicant as feedback: